BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 90-101-C - ORDER NO. 90-733

AUGUST 1, 1990

IN RE: Application of Home Owners Long
Distance, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and Establishment of Rates and Charges.

ORDER
CONTINUING

On March 22, 1990, Home Owners Long Distance, Inc. (Home Owners) filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate as a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services, including operator-assisted services, within the State of South Carolina.

On April 10, 1990, the Commission's Executive Director instructed Home Owners to cause to be published a prepared Notice of Filing and Hearing once a week for two consecutive weeks in newspapers of general circulation in affected areas. Proof of publication and certification of same were to be filed with the Executive Director on or before May 24, 1990. It was clearly expressed to Home Owners that failure to comply with these instructions may result in dismissal of its application.

Furthermore, by letter dated June 12, 1990, the Executive Director required Home Owners to prefile [,in accordance with the Commission's Regulations,] copies of any testimony and exhibits

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which it intended to present at the hearing of this matter, which was scheduled for July 17, 1990 at 11:00 a.m.

It appears from the docket file and the Commission's records that Home Owners has not complied with instructions to submit proof of publication or those requiring service and filing of testimony and exhibits. Consultants representing Home Owners were contacted on several occasions by members of the Commission Staff to ascertain the status of Home Owners' testimony. On each occasion, no information was provided.

Based on the foregoing, the Commission is of the opinion, and so finds, that the hearing of this matter originally scheduled to commence at 11:00 a.m. on July 17, 1990, should be continued until further notice, and the Commission hereby so orders.

Further, the Commission notes that Home Owners does not have authority to provide intrastate telecommunications services in South Carolina and finds that Home Owners should not provide such services until properly certificated by the Commission. The Commission hereby admonishes Home Owners not to provide such services in South Carolina until it has obtained certification by this Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

VICE Chairman

ATTEST:

DeputyExecutive Director

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